#### IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: David W. Duemler

Serial No.: 09/772,493

Filed:

January 30, 2001

Group Art Unit: 2173

Examiner:

not yet known

Programmable Logic Controller Programming System

**Assistant Commissioner for Patents** Washington, D.C. 20231

> I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C., 20231 on:

May 21, 2001

Date

## INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith is an Information Disclosure Statement pursuant to 37 CFR.

§ 1.56 in connection with the above-identified application, which statement is being filed:

- Together with the present application.
- Before the first Office Action on the merits or three (3) months from the [X] filing date of this application, whichever occurs last. [37 CFR § 1.97(b)]
- After the first Office Action on the merits, but before a Final Office Action under §1.113 or Notice of Allowance under §1.311, whichever occurs first. [37 CFR § 1.97(c)]

ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.: D6570-00003

... 1º

PATENT

[ ] After a Final Office Action under §1.113 or Notice of Allowance under §1.311, but prior to or with payment of the Issue Fee. [37 CFR § 1.97(d)]

Consistent with Applicant's obligations pursuant to 37 CFR §§1.97 and 1.98, the following requirements have been met:

- [x] No separate requirements are needed.
- [x] No additional fee is required.

## [ ] Fee Under 37 CFR § 1.97(c)

The fee of \$180.00 for submission of an IDS under § 1.97(c) as set forth in § 1.17(p) accompanies this statement.

## Petition Under 37 CFR § 1.97(d)

This is a petition requesting consideration of an IDS under § 1.97(d). The petition fee of \$130.00 set forth in § 1.17(i)(1)accompanies this petition.

## [ ] Certification Under 37 CFR § 1.97(e)

- () Each item of information contained in this statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this statement; or
- () No item of information contained in this statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application, and, to the knowledge of the person signing the statement after making reasonable inquiry, no item of information contained in this statement was known to any individual designated in §1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing of this statement.

ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.: D6570-00003

**PATENT** 

# **Provision of Copies of References**

[x]		A copy of each of the references listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 is enclosed herewith and forms a part hereof.	
	[]	Translations of References are enclosed herewith and form a part hereof.	
	[]	A copy of the European Search Report from a corresponding or related EPO application is enclosed herewith.	
	[]	A copy of the International Search Report from a corresponding or related PCT application is enclosed herewith.	
<u>Identi</u> <u>Cited</u>	ificatio And F	n of Prior Application(s) In Which Listed Information Was Already or Which No Copies Are Submitted Or Need Be Submitted	
[]	This application relies, under 35 U.S.C. § 120, on the earlier filing date of prior U.S. Application No(s). filed . The following references were submitted to, and/or cited by, the Office in the prior application(s) and therefore are not required to be provided in this application:		
[x]	comm	mmissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees associated with this nication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. <u>04-1679</u> . A e copy of this transmittal is attached.	
		Respectfully submitted,	
DATE	:: <u>M</u>	ay 21, 2001 Joseph a. Porvera	

DUANE, MORRIS & HECKSCHER LLP One Liberty Place Philadelphia, PA 19103-7396 Telephone: 215-979-1842

Fax: 215-979-1020

PH1\843554.1

Joseph A. Powers

Registration No. 47,006 Attorney for Applicant(s)